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Having a home library benefits children and parents alike, by allowing immediate access to literature and reference information and by encouraging reading. The cost of stocking a home library can be prohibitive to forming a substantial collection. This book provides a guide to purchasing books at a discount, including suggestions on essential books for a home library, purchasing new and used books inexpensively, ways to save money to finance a book collection, and reselling books that are no longer needed. The book includes: (1) 120 "resources for stocking a home library inexpensively," with entries including postal and electronic addresses, phone and fax numbers, descriptions of catalogs, and details on discounts and guarantees. Many of the organizations and publishers represented are designated as having a "Christian" orientation; (2) 94 "resources for stocking a home library conveniently," with similar entries; (3) a 32-book resource guide with annotations; (4) book guides and reference works available from R. R. Bowker; (5) magazines and newsletters that review children's books and educational materials; (5) resources aimed at home-schooled children; (6) books that list cost-saving ideas, or describe where to obtain books for free or at a discount; and (7) books and resources recommended by the author. (SWC)

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